

Senate Resolution 279

By: Senators Chapman of the 3rd, Williams of the 19th, Seabaugh of the 28th and Wiles of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Josephine Braddock Bennett on the occasion of her
2 100th birthday; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Josephine Braddock Bennett was born in Bladin, Georgia, on February 15,
4 1909, the beloved daughter of Lavinia Howe and Lawrence L. Braddock; and

5 WHEREAS, when her mother passed away, Mrs. Bennett left school to help care for her
6 siblings, and when she was 16 she moved to Brunswick, Georgia with her sister Mabel to live
7 and work at the Oglethorpe Hotel; and

8 WHEREAS, she was united in love and marriage to Mr. William Wayne "Bogie" Bennett
9 on September 25, 1926, and they shared 57 years of happiness before his passing in 1983;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bennett has been blessed with the love and devotion of four beautiful
12 daughters and two remarkable sons; and

13 WHEREAS, to help financially support her family, Mrs. Bennett owned and operated two
14 restaurants and a grocery store; and

15 WHEREAS, during World War II, Mrs. Bennett not only had six children, a husband, and
16 a large garden to care for, but also helped serve as the backbone of this nation working from
17 1942 to 1945 in the J.A. Jones Shipyard as a welder; and

18 WHEREAS, she is a woman of deep and abiding faith who has been a member of Emanuel
19 Methodist Church for over 75 years, teaching Sunday school and holding various leadership
20 positions and committee offices; and

21 WHEREAS, this distinguished Georgian has demonstrated great civic leadership and
22 dedication with her work for the 4-H Club, the Home Demonstration Club, the Coastal
23 Republican Women, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Daughters of the American Revolution;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
26 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she has made of her life,
27 she makes this world a better place in which to live, and it is only fitting and proper that she
28 be appropriately recognized during this very special and memorable time of her life.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
30 join in commending Mrs. Josephine Braddock Bennett on the occasion of her 100th birthday
31 and wishing her many more years of happiness.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
33 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Josephine Braddock Bennett.